

**HORICON TOWN BOARD
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD**

**NOVEMBER 16, 2010
7:00 PM**

Present at meeting	Ralph Bentley	Supervisor
	Frank Hill	Councilman
	Kenneth Higgins	Councilman
	Robert Olson	Councilman
	Joseph Dooris	Councilman

Krista Wood

Town Clerk

Also: Attorney Mark Schachner, HS Paul Smith, Gary Frenz, Herta Leidy, Harry Balz, Bill McGhie, Jason Willette.

Supervisor Bentley called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes of October 14th, 21st, and 28th, 2010 were approved by Motion of Messrs. Olson and Hill, all Ayes.

Approval of November Abstracts:

RESOLUTION NO. 135 OF 2010

Messrs. Higgins and Dooris introduced Res. No. 135 and moved its adoption, all Ayes.

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF ABSTRACTS

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Horicon does hereby authorize the Bookkeeper to pay the following November Vouchers and Abstracts:

General Vouchers	# 278 - 313	\$ 25,407.91
Highway Vouchers	# 180 - 197	\$ 51,704.71
General Abstracts	30 & 31	\$ 15,212.09
Highway Abstracts	30 & 31	\$ 10,830.00

Correspondence to the Board:

NYSDEC RE: Announcement of reopening of roads in the Adirondack Forest Preserve

NW Chamber RE: Request for Occupancy Tax monies for 2011

WC DPW RE: Invitation to extend and renew contract for snow and ice removal

APA RE: Invitation for comments concerning proposed cell tower on East Schroon River Rd.

APA RE: Invitation for comments concerning proposed relocation of power lines on Palisades Rd.

Resolutions:

RESOLUTION NO. 136 OF 2010

Messrs. Higgins and Hill introduced Res. No. 136 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE TRANSFER OF FUNDS

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Horicon does hereby authorize the Bookkeeper to make the following fund transfers:

GENERAL:

<u>FROM:</u>	<u>TO:</u>	<u>AMOUNT:</u>
A7310.1 – Youth Pers	A1410.4 – Town Clerk Contr.	\$ 300.00
A8810.2 – Cemet. Equip.	A8810.4 – Cemet. Contr.	\$ 18.05
A1990.4 – Conting.	A9060.8 – Health Insur	\$ 1,244.20
A1420.4 – Attorney Contr	A9060.8 – Health Insur	\$ 4,619.64
A1355.1 – Assess. Pers	A1355.4 – Assess. Contr	\$ 1,817.28

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A1355.2 – Assess. Equip	A1355.4 – Assess. Contr	\$ 1,211.00
HIGHWAY:		
<u>FROM:</u>	<u>TO:</u>	<u>AMOUNT:</u>
D5110.1 – Gen Repairs Pers.	D5110.4 – Gen Repairs Contr.	\$17,282.28
D5120.4 – Bridges Contr.	D5110.4 – Gen Repairs Contr.	\$15,053.90

RESOLUTION NO. 137 OF 2010

Messrs. Higgins and Olson introduced Res. No. 137 and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE CONTRACT WITH WARREN COUNTY FOR
SNOW & ICE REMOVAL**

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Horicon does hereby authorize Supervisor Ralph Bentley to sign the contract with Warren County for snow and ice removal according to the 2011 Schedule A Payment Rate. Compensation to the Town of Horicon from Warren County will be in the amount of \$147,357.00

RESOLUTION NO. 138 OF 2010

Messrs. Higgins and Olson introduced Res. No. 138 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE NEW INSURANCE FOR CSEA

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Horicon does hereby authorize the transfer of CSEA employees from MVP TriVantage EPO Plan to Blue Shield of Northeastern New York EPO Health Insurance Plan effective December 1, 2010.

RESOLUTION NO. 139 OF 2010

Messrs. Dooris and Olson introduced Res. No. 139 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE DIVISION OF YOUTH BUDGET

WHEREAS, the Resolution for authorizing the project application for division of Youth Budget is annually adopted by the Town of Horicon, AND

WHEREAS, Warren County Division of Youth will reimburse the local Youth Program 50%, up to \$1,300.00 for the year 2011, NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Horicon does hereby authorize the Project Application for the Division of Youth.

RESOLUTION NO. 140 OF 2010

Messrs. Dooris and Olson introduced Res. No. 140 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR 2011 CONTRACTS

WHEREAS, monies have been appropriated in the 2011 Budget for contracts in the following amounts:

Emergency Service Provider	\$ 49,000.00
Horicon Historical Society	\$ 500.00
Senior Mini-Bus	\$ 4,680.00
North Warren Chamber of Commerce	\$ 6,000.00
Horicon Free Library	\$ 1,000.00
Horicon Senior Citizens	\$ 1,000.00
Chester-Horicon Health Center	\$ 5,000.00
Snowmobile Club	\$ 3,500.00
Brant Lake Foundation	\$ 40,000.00
Horicon Volunteer Fire Company	\$189,000.00

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that a Notice of Public Hearing will be published stating that a hearing on the above named contracts will be held on December 16, 2010 at 7:00 PM at the Horicon Community Center.

RESOLUTION NO. 141 OF 2010

Messrs. Higgins and Olson introduced Res. No. 141 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO ADVERTISE FOR LANDFILL HELPER

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Horicon does hereby authorize the Clerk to advertise for the part-time position of Landfill Helper as per the request of Landfill Superintendent Bob Hayes.

RESOLUTION NO. 142 OF 2010

Messrs. Olson and Higgins introduced Res. No. 142 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO RE-APPOINT JOHN GOODE TO THE BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Horicon does hereby re-appoint John Goode to a new term on the Horicon Board of Assessment Review. The new term is to run from October 1, 2010 through September 30, 2015.

RESOLUTION NO. 143 OF 2010

Messrs. Hill and Dooris introduced Res. No. 143 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE PURCHASE OF A NEW PICKUP FOR THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Horicon does hereby authorize Highway Superintendent Paul Smith to order a new pickup truck for the Highway Department to replace the 2000 Chevrolet that was recently taken off the road. The pickup will be purchased through State contract and is a 2011 Dodge.

Old Business:

Pavilion Dedication: Councilman Dooris suggested that the Board set a date for the dedication of the Pavilion now that the monument was in place. The Board set the date for Friday, November 26, 2010 at 3:00 pm. It was decided that due to the time of year this would be an informal dedication and in the Spring they would hold a formal dedication.

New Business:

Surplus 2000 Chevrolet Pickup: The Clerk advertised for bids for the 2000 Chevrolet pickup belonging to the Highway Department. One bid was received and opened at 10:00 am on November 16th. The Board accepted the bid and the following Resolution was made:

RESOLUTION NO. 144 OF 2010

Messrs. Dooris and Hill introduced Res. No. 144 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO AWARD BID FOR 2000 CHEVROLET PICKUP

WHEREAS, the Town Board advertised for bids for the 2000 Chevrolet Truck previously used by the Highway Department, AND

WHEREAS, one bid was received and opened on November 16th at 10:00 AM, NOW,
THEREFORE BE IT,

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RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby accept the bid of \$500.00 submitted by Bob Donahue of Brant Lake, NY.

Zoning and Planning Review Committee question: Councilman Higgins told the Board that at the last meeting of the Zoning and Planning Review Committee there was a question raised concerning the lot size and limits and the implementations of such within the Zoning Regulations. The Committee wanted to know if recommendations on these issues should be governed by the Town Board or the Planning Board. After some discussion the Board determined that the Committee would be making recommendations and the Town Board would be giving final approval on any revisions to the Zoning Ordinance.

While on the topic of the Zoning and Planning Review Committee, Councilman Dooris questioned the appointment of the members of the Committee. He strongly objected to the seating of Mike Raymond on the Committee due to his comments towards the Board during the Public Hearing on the Comprehensive Plan. Further, Councilman Dooris objected to the seating of Gary McMeekin on the Committee stating that he feels his approach is to heavy-handed. Lengthy discussion followed concerning the members of the Committee as well as the role the Committee would play in terms of actual changes to the Zoning Ordinance. Several motions were made throughout the discussion. Attorney Schachner clarified that the Committee's role would be to make recommendations only and any changes or decisions would ultimately be the decision of the Town Board. The following Resolution to keep the members currently seated on the Committee with two additions was passed:

RESOLUTION NO. 145 OF 2010

Messrs. Higgins and Hill introduced Res. No. 145 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO SET ZONING AND PLANNING REVIEW COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, upon adoption of the Comprehensive Plan the Town Board determined that a Committee would need be appointed to work with Dr. Richard Lamb to review and make recommended changes to the Town of Horicon Zoning Ordinance, AND

WHEREAS, Supervisor Bentley appointed a Committee for the purpose of reviewing the Zoning Ordinance, NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby confirm the appointments made by Supervisor Bentley and add two additional members. The Board hereby appoints the following people to the Zoning and Planning Review Committee to work with Dr. Lamb to review and recommend changes to the Town of Horicon Zoning Ordinance:

William Bruce
Harry Balz
Mike Raymond
Matt Simpson
Cheryl Erickson
Gary McMeekin
Kenny Higgins
Bob Olson
Jason Willette
Christine Hayes, Consultant & Secretary

Privilege of the Floor:

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Jason Willette thanked the Board for his appointment to the Zoning and Planning Review Committee and said he looked forward to being able to contribute to this project.

There being no further comments from the audience, Councilman Olson made a motion to move to Executive Session to discuss contract negotiations, and the motion was seconded by Councilman Hill. The Board moved to Executive Session at 7:45PM.

The Board returned to the Regular Meeting from Executive Session at 8:00 PM stating that contract negotiations were discussed. Based on the discussion the following Resolution was made:

RESOLUTION NO. 146 OF 2010

Messrs. Dooris and Higgins and introduced Res. No. 146 and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT CSEA PROPOSAL

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Horicon has received a proposal from CSEA regarding the current contract for the Highway Department. The proposal from CSEA offers to extend the current contract through 2012 and give a pay raise of \$0.50 to the Highway employees while leaving all other aspects of the contract as is, NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Horicon Town Board does hereby accept the proposal as specified above and authorizes Supervisor Bentley to sign the Contract.

Adjourn:

There being no further business to attend to the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM by MOTION of Messrs. Olson and Hill, all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted:

Town Clerk